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Dear Sir/Madam

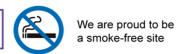
Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference: Digital Pathology

I am writing in response to your request for information under the FOI 2000.

I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below. Please accept our sincere apologies for the delay.

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FOI Request / Question	Question Response	Is there an exemption?	Exemption	Exemption Details
Slide digitisation  1. Please list the suppliers or companies currently used (if any, else respond with "Not used") to digitise pathology slides within your trust's pathology services (i.e. for converting glass slides into whole-slide images):  a. Supplier name (Philips, Leica, Hamamatsu, Roche Diagnostics, etc.)  b. Model(s) installed  c. Number of scanners deployed  d. Year of deployment  e. Method of acquisition (capital purchase, lease or managed service contract)  f. Was the scanner procured directly from the manufacturer or via a reseller? (if known)	a. Hamamatsu b. NanoZoomer S360 and S60 c. x2 (1 of each, see above) d. 2022 e. capital purchase f. directly g. None	exemption?		Details
g. If applicable, any external service providers (e.g. outsourced scanning)				
Slide reading	a. IndicaLabs			
Please detail any software or Al tools used (if any, else respond with "Not used")	b. Halo-AP c. Viewer only			

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for reading, analysing, or supporting the	d. 2023		
interpretation of digital pathology slides:	e. directly		
a. Software/company name (Sectra, Paige,			
Ibex, PathAl, Indica Labs, Aiforia, etc.)			
b. Product name (if known)			
c. Use case (e.g. viewer only, Al diagnosis			
support, automated screening, triage)			
d. Year of deployment			
e. Was the software procured directly from			
the supplier or via a reseller? (if known)			
Provide the above for each software or Al			
tool used (multiple)			
Digital adoption	a 2022/23 = 120,222; 2023/24 = 129,364; 2024/25 =		
3. For your trust's pathology services,	133,622		
please provide the following information for	b. Not known		
each of the past 3 financial years (FY	c. 2022/23 = 22,468; 2023/24 = 23,802; 2024/25 = 24,790		
2022/23 [1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023],	d. Only have data from 2024/25 = 4394		
FY 2023/24 [1st April 2023 to 31st March			
2024], and FY 2024/25 [1st April 2024 to			
31st March 2025]):			
a. Total number of histopathology glass			
slides prepared			
b. Total number of histopathology slides			
digitalised using whole-slide scanners (if			

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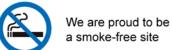
# known) c. Total number of unique histopathology cases reported (including all reporting modalities) d. Total number of histopathology cases reported digitally (using screen-based reading/viewers, not by light microscopy)

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I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email <a href="mailto:sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net">sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net</a>.

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Yours faithfully

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